

Russians Take
40 More Places

LONDON (CP) — Russian troops today captured more than 40 villages northwest of Gomel, a region in which they are driving on the rail hub of Zhlobin, Moscow announced tonight.

A surge south of Zhlobin between the Dnieper and Berezina rivers recaptured five populated places, and another Red Army column fighting on the lower reaches of the Pripyat River seized several powerful German strongpoints.

2 U.S. Ships Sunk

BALBOA, C.Z. (AP) — A U.S. Liberty ship was torpedoed and sunk, with the loss of 16 lives, and a U.S. tanker sent down with the loss of 12 lives in the same general area, subsequent to the sinking of the Colombian inter-island motor schooner Ruby, U.S. naval headquarters announced today.

The Ruby was sunk by gunfire by a German submarine last week.

Propose Ceiling
On Private Homes

VANCOUVER (CP) — A Prices Board official here said today the question of putting a ceiling over home sale prices in Vancouver and other war-crowded Canadian cities is under study by federal authorities following complaints "scandalous" profits have been made at the expense of victims of the housing shortage.

20 Japs Vanish
From Hope Camp

VANCOUVER (CP) — The B.C. Security Commission said today it is investigating the disappearance Friday of 20 young Japanese evacuees from the Tashme camp near Hope, B.C. The Japanese left the camp and "faded up the Fraser River Canyon."

Lift Credit Ban

OTTAWA (CP) — Restrictions on the use of coupon booklets by retail merchants who extend credit will be lifted Dec. 1, it was announced today by the Prices Board. The restrictions have been in force since October, 1941.

U.S. Frees Mines

WASHINGTON (AP) — Interior Secretary Harold Ickes today announced termination of government possession and control of the mines of 138 additional bituminous producing companies. The mines were seized Nov. 1.

Japs Murder
Hundreds

CHUNGKING (AP) — Several hundred students and teachers at the Chinese middle school at Hefei, west of Changteh, were killed by the Japanese when they entered the town recently, the Central News Agency said today. Many girl students were reported carried off.

Central News attributed the story to a student who said he was the only person who escaped.

Mary Rathom Dies

Mary H. Rathom, 72, well-known poetess and contributor to newspapers and magazines, died in St. Joseph's Hospital Sunday. She was born in Victoria and was the widow of J. R. Rathom, Victoria newspaperman.

Christmas Presents
For Age Pensioners

TORONTO (CP) — Dr. R. P. Vivian, Minister of Health, today announced 60,000 old age pensioners in Ontario will receive a Christmas box of \$10 each.

The bonus is for \$5 each for November and December, the amount of the increased monthly allowance from \$23 to \$28 announced some time ago.

Penicillin Fails

VANCOUVER (CP) — Mrs. William Nohos, 22, first person to be treated with penicillin at Vancouver, died here Sunday. She had been suffering from an infection of the blood stream. The drug was flown from eastern Canada in an attempt to save her life.

Mrs. B. K. Landes Dies

SEATTLE (AP) — Mrs. Bertha K. Landes, former mayor of Seattle and widely known political writer, died today at the home of a son, Dr. Kenneth K. Landes, at Ann Arbor, Mich., members of her family announced here.

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Diplomatic Coup By Allies May Be Forthcoming Soon

By JUDSON O'QUINN

LONDON (AP) — Simultaneously stepped up offensives on three sides of Hitler's fortress Europe suggested the possibility today that the stage is being set for a momentous war development—probably in the diplomatic field—which is believed both in London and abroad to be imminent.

Intensified Allied aerial assaults on Germany from British bases, an accelerated Soviet drive into White Russia, and a spurt in the campaign in Italy coincided with continued reports from abroad hinting at a meeting between Prime Minister Churchill, President Roosevelt and Premier Stalin, and perhaps representatives of at least three other countries.

The London Daily Mail's New York correspondent said there were rumors that a sixth person representing Germany in some capacity not yet clear might sit in.

GOEBBELS STILL TALKS

London was ready to discount any suggestion that Germany might possibly be making a peace bid either to Russia, or Britain and the United States. Relative to this the Daily Sketch cited Nazi Propaganda Minister Goebbels' threats of reprisals Sunday for the bombing of Berlin and added: "If Goebbels is still the mouthpiece of Germany these stories of a peace bid are not true."

There were several developments, however, in addition to events on the military front which provided food for thought.

CHIANG PRESENT?

But an even more history-making event of world-wide scope—

King Blueprint May Scrap Trade Preferences

By NORMAN M. MACLEOD
OTTAWA — Prime Minister Mackenzie King soon will make an important radio broadcast to deal with major proposals for lowered tariffs and enlarged international trade in the postwar era.

This report follows current disclosures of progress in administrative circles towards the blueprinting of a postwar plan for lower tariffs and freer international trade—this to be achieved by scrapping existing most-favored-nation treaties and the signing of a new multilateral tariff reduction treaty by the principal world trading nations.

PRIME MINISTER'S OWN

It may now be revealed from authentic sources that much of the authorship of the plan for enlarged international trade which Canada plans to submit soon to the councils of her sister United Nations is the Prime Minister's. Mr. King is so ardent for his scheme that he hopes to secure early consideration for it among the powers whose support of it in principle will be necessary to its success.

These powers are the British Commonwealth nations, the United States, China and Russia.

Parliament Hill circles recall the so-called "functional" principle of foreign relations was enunciated by Mr. King several months before it became the mainspring of the UNRRA organization last week in Atlantic City.

While the foreign trade formula which Mr. King now is preparing to sponsor is in the nature of a blueprint rather than of a detailed scheme, and while many of its features remain to be written in after due international consultation, it is intimated here that it is both drastic in certain innovations.

YIELD PREFERENCES
FOR WORLD COT

Most drastic features of the new policy may include scrapping of most-favored-nation treaties by subscribers to the master multilateral tariff reduction pact, and—even more drastic—the probable abandonment by British Commonwealth of nations of their Empire preference tariffs towards countries subscribing to the movement for lower world tariffs. The existing system of imperial preferences, it is suggested here, will be thrown in by the Empire countries as their contribution to the world tariff reduction pot.

Mr. King's formula envisages, first, a substantial horizontal cut in all tariffs by the nations subscribing to the multilateral reduction and subsequent reductions to be made periodically, a system of tariff preferences not exclusive to the Empire or to individual countries covered by most-favored-nation deals, but open to any country in the world that may desire to join the march towards freer international trade.

While the American heavy bombers were continuing the stepped-up big-scale destruction of German war centres, twin-engined medium bombers also streaked out over the Channel Sunday to blast Hitler's airfield at Chievres, in Belgium.

During daylight today offensive operations, in which four German fighters were destroyed, were continued. Formations of fighters and light bombers were seen returning from the direction of France.

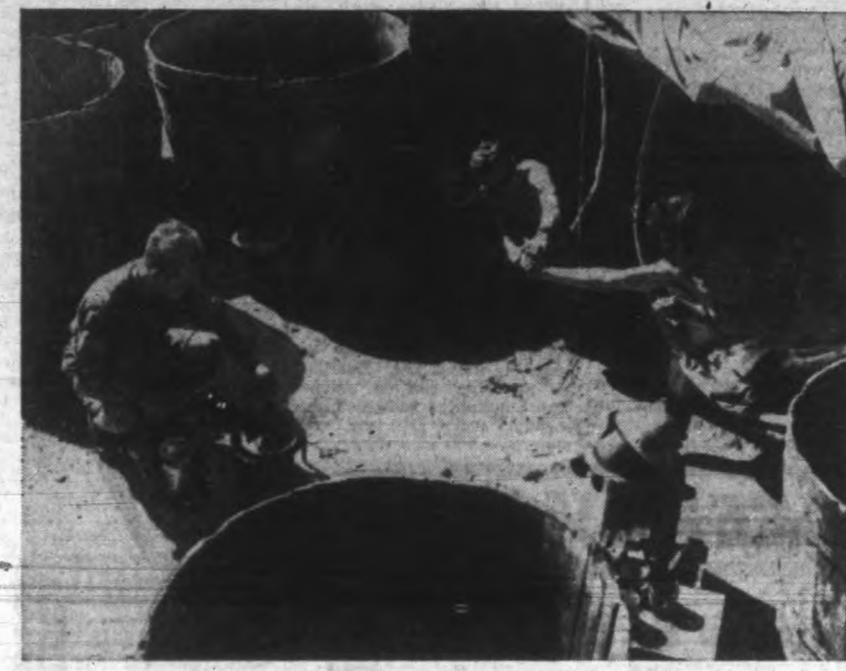
NO BOMBS ON LONDON

London had a short alert but no bombs Sunday night. The few bombs dropped in the Home Counties caused neither damage nor casualties.

Today's blow at Germany followed the disclosure that approximately \$2,500,000,000 is being spent to expand the already mighty British-Canadian-U.S. aerial offensive from Britain.

Berlin had its second success-

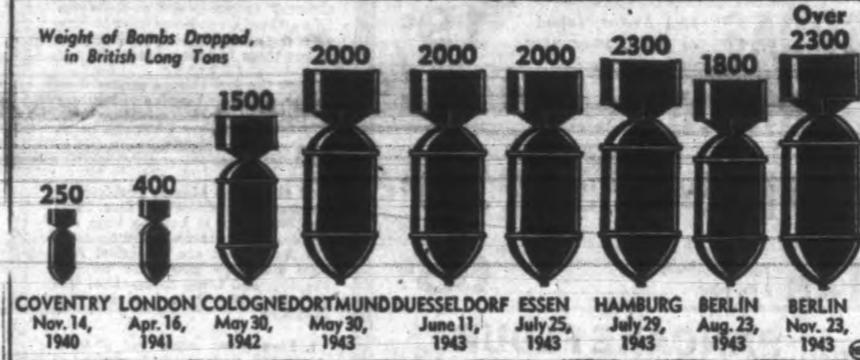
8th Army Veterans Plunge Toward Rome



SUNNY ITALY—Heavy rains in Italy are bringing discomfort to our fighting men, but Canadians in British 8th Army find conditions less arduous by making these huge wine casks their billets. The boys found the tubs near Termoli.

\$2,500,000,000 to Expand Air Blitz As Day, Night Raids Pound At Reich

BLOCKBUSTER SAGA: FROM COVENTRY TO BERLIN



Blockbusting in the greatest raid of the war, Berlin has taken top place on the list of bomblest cities of Europe after the 1,000-plane R.A.F. attack in which more than 2,300 tons of explosives were dropped. Chart compares this raid with previous top tonnage attacks and earlier record bombings.

By E. B. SULLIVAN

LONDON (AP) — U.S. heavy bombers supported by fighters attacked targets in northwest Germany today on the heels of an overnight attack on western Germany by R.A.F. Mosquitos.

While the American heavy bombers were continuing the stepped-up big-scale destruction of German war centres, twin-engined medium bombers also streaked out over the Channel Sunday to blast Hitler's airfield at Chievres, in Belgium.

The blows directed against Germany both Sunday night and today were in defiance of German threats of reprisals for last week's attacks on Berlin, said to have left a third of the Nazi capital in ruins.

Objectives of the night or day raids were not announced immediately.

Berlin had its second success-

ive raidless night while the sirens were kept whining in western Germany by the Mosquitos. The great force of bombers seen streaming across the Channel Sunday night apparently was a fleet of minelayers and not the blockbuster caravan.

The enemy can fight back cleverly with limited resources," he said in a broadcast, "but he can't win against the hammer blows of an air force which will continue to grow while his is wiped out."

The Nazis' threat of dire reprisals for the devastation wrought in Berlin came from Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels, who said darkly in a broadcast speech that German industry was working feverishly night and day to turn out the mysterious weapon through which Britain would be paid back with "interest and double interest."

(See "Berlin in Panic," Page 2)

Montgomery's 'Colossal Crack' Being Delivered

By EDWARD KENNEDY

ALGIERS (AP) — The 8th Army, called on by Gen. Montgomery to hit the Germans a "colossal crack" and to drive them north of Rome, struck out in a new offensive in the darkness of Sunday morning from its Sangro bridgeheads and is making good progress in the face of enemy flame-throwers, Allied headquarters announced today.

The attack, delivered at night in typical Montgomery style, was preceded and backed by a terrific air onslaught. It was carried out by veteran British, Indian and New Zealand divisions rushing forward in the flashing light of an "exceptionally heavy" artillery barrage.

A headquarters spokesman said the attack was going well.

Before the 8th Army's wheels were set churning westward from the bridgehead into the enemy's hill positions above Rome, British destroyers laid down a bombardment of the enemy port of Civitanova, 20 miles south of Ancona on the Adriatic coast.

A second bridgehead at Archi, 13 miles inland from the Adriatic, was hammered out as the attack progressed, broadening the 8th Army's foothold on the north side of the most serious obstacle encountered by Gen. Montgomery since he set foot on the Calabrian toe last September. The previous bridgehead had been limited to about five miles along the Sangro from the Adriatic.

Left Wing Prepares To Extend Offensive

Farther inland, some 20 to 30 miles from the main bridgehead, Canadian and British troops making up the left flank of the 8th Army were carrying out extensive patrol operations, perhaps in preparation for an assault should the eastern drive develop into an engagement involving the whole front.

The long-awaited 8th Army plume penetrated the main lines anchoring the German "winter line" in the hills near the coast in its first 24-hour rush.

Although the Germans had been hard hit by Allied air forces which had thrown as many as 500 sorties in a single day against gun posts, artillery positions, trenches and entanglements, the attack found the enemy waiting and prepared for fierce resistance.

The Germans threw in numerous counterattacks, spearheaded by tanks mounting flame-throwers.

Some of these counterattacks threw back the troops which swarmed across the Sangro in the Archi neighborhood, but the 8th Army veterans bounced back to the offensive and regained all they had lost and more, too.

Allies, Too, Have Secret Weapons

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rear-Admiral Blandy, chief of the Bureau of Ordnance, said today the U.S. has new secret weapons, some "fully comparable to the German radio-controlled bomb and acoustic homing torpedoes," and others even more amazing. These weapons have been in use for many months, he said, adding: "We have one development that certain foreign scientists labelled impossible, but I can't even disclose its nature."

Italians Rebel: Open Fighting

NEW YORK (AP) — The Stockholm newspaper Social Demokraten, in a dispatch from the Swiss-Italian border, said the Germans had thrown airborne troops and dive-bombers against Italians waging "open rebellion" against the Nazis in northern Italy.

"A regular battle is raging near Lake Maggiore," and hundreds are dying daily in the day and night fighting in Florence, said the dispatch, as reported to the U.S. Office of War Information today.

Russians Near Zhlobin; May Cut Nazis' Escape

By HENRY C. CASSIDY

MOSCOW (AP) — The Red Army was advancing rapidly toward the important rail junction of Zhlobin today in a drive along the escape gap northwest of Gomel through which broken German forces were attempting to flee to the west bank of the Dnieper.

Sweeping up 150 villages and seizing many prisoners, Russian troops Sunday pushed to within 20 miles of Zhlobin, a Soviet command post.

Meanwhile other Russian forces surged forward to the west and southwest in White Russia and killed 3,800 Nazis in heavy fighting extending from the Gomel area to below Dnepropetrovsk.

The London radio, in a broadcast recorded by CBS, said one Soviet spearhead was only 15 miles from Zhlobin.

The Germans persisted in

heavy tank and infantry assaults in the three Ukrainian sectors of Korosten, Cherniklakhov and Brusilov, but still had no major gain to show since taking Zhlobin.

Gen. Konstantin K. Rokosovsky's White Russian armies advanced to Zhlobin after capturing Buda-Koshelevskaya on the Gomel-Zhlobin-Minsk rail road near 30 miles northwest of Gomel, in a single day's advance of 100 miles from Uvarovichi.

The Red Army also continued to forge ahead in the Berezina River area to the west, capturing 24 populated places after killing 400 of the German defenders.

Fighting likewise continued to range in the low, heavily wooded and marshy Pripet River area where the Russians said they had taken several places by storm and repulsed repeated enemy attempts to counterattack.

Storm Warnings

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Berlin in Panic Says Swiss Writer Even Before Raid

By FRANK BRUTTO

BERNE, Switzerland (AP) — Nazi-controlled reports of the havoc wrought on Germany's economic life and the morale of her population by Allied air attacks are only a shadow of the real thing, a writer in the Swiss weekly *L'Illustration* said today in an article entitled, "I return from Berlin."

His vivid story describing conditions prior to the attacks last week which made Berlin the most bombed city in the world, declared, "If foreign journalists in Berlin were free to write what they wished they would write only of bombing attacks."

He wrote this description of Berliners' state of mind before the recent mass attacks:

"What do the people of Berlin say? Speak to any of them alone and men, women and children say they have had enough of hunger and suffering and orders of being kept ignorant of the future, of renouncing all pleasures, of living almost like beasts, of being no longer like human beings."

"They tell you they are well aware the war is lost. But they also say they can do nothing against authority because every rebellion, every criticism, even

every sign of passive resistance is severely punished."

WILL DECIDE

"Everybody is convinced the war will decide not only the fate of the regime but also the fate of the nation."

Before the great new attacks more than 1,000 Germans already had lost their homes, furnishings and clothing, becoming proletarian "have nothings" from one day to the next, the writer said.

There was not a single hour that Germans did not think anxiously of the next bombing and this constant dread had made life in Berlin wretched even though the capital had not yet undergone its great attacks, the writer said. The examples of Hamburg and Mannheim had so impressed the Berliners that they preferred to leave the capital nightly to sleep in suburbs or even under the open sky.

Stamps for Autos

TORONTO (CP) — Minister of Highways George Doucett announced today Ontario motor vehicle stamps for 1944 will be available early in January. The stamps will be affixed to the lower left corner of the windshield and are being issued in lieu of plates, manufacture of which is prevented by wartime restrictions. The 1943 plates will continue on the rear of vehicles.

2,000 Japs Killed, Cruiser Sunk In Southern Pacific

WASHINGTON (AP) — The probable sinking of a Japanese cruiser, reports of 2,000 enemy dead on Bougainville Island and intensified aerial activity highlighted a busy week-end in the southern Pacific theatre of war while construction crews moved into the newly-won Gilberts to the northeast.

A heavy bomber patrolling the George channel between New Britain and New Ireland Islands Friday night dropped a 1,000-pound bomb squarely on the Japanese cruiser. Allied headquarters announced.

The bomb pierced the ship's armor and exploded inside with a flash that lighted up the night sky. It was the 49th enemy warship sunk or damaged in the northern Solomons during November.

A spokesman for Admiral William F. Halsey, south Pacific fleet commander, reported that more than 1,000 Japanese had been killed in a 10-day battle on Bougainville, invaded at Empress Augusta Bay by U.S. Marines Nov. 1. This, he said, brought to 200 the number of enemy dead in fighting for that largest of the Solomon Islands. United States dead and wounded combined were given at 1,000.

BUKA BAKED

Heavy bombers dropped 105 tons of bombs on enemy installations on Buka Island just off the northern tip of Bougainville. Buka, at the southeastern tip of Bougainville, took a 71-ton bomb from torpedo and dive bombers.

A heavy force of medium bombers and fighters made a low-level attack on the Wewak and Boram airfields in northeastern New Guinea, destroying at least five aircraft on the ground and damaging some 25 others. Befuddled attackers hit Rabaul in force and reported a heavy concentration of planes at that New Britain stronghold.

Speedy torpedo boats sank five barges loaded with 200 Japanese troops and artillery in Vitiza Strait, between New Guinea and New Britain.

The U.S. navy's construction gangs were reported to have moved quickly to the coral atolls of the Gilberts, which were secured last week by U.S. marines and infantry, suggesting the possible use of airfields in the Gilberts for early intensified bombing of the Jap-held Marshall group 350 miles to the north.

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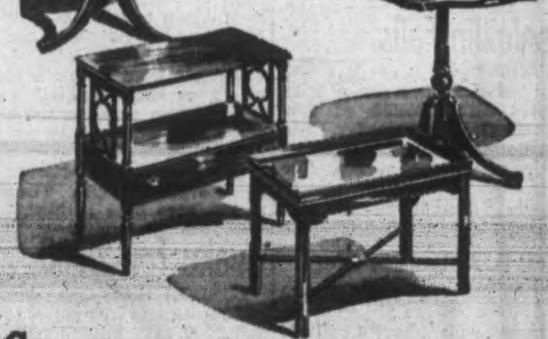
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Rumor Gets Its Innings

EVER SINCE LORD HALIFAX SAID "anything can happen"—and since then that "the end may be closer than any of us suspect"—rumors of German peace feelers have come from all quarters. During the last 48 hours the airways have been cluttered with every conceivable type of speculation. It is suggested that the Pope is trying his hand, that unnamed Germans are flitting hither and yon with proposals for an early armistice, that American industrialists looking for war contracts in Sweden have returned home with no new business, that the Berlin bombings and the prospect of more and heavier bombings of the Reich have at last convinced the Nazi hierarchy that an Axis victory is impossible. In other words, and little imagination is required to understand it, the German people no longer can be fooled by the specious propaganda of the Herr Doktor Goebels. And when he tells them that industrial establishments are working night and day on the manufacture of a "terror" weapon with which to exact retribution from the British, they instantly remember all the other fine promises with which Hitler and lesser lights in the realm of Nazidom have surprised them in recent months.

The greatest flock of rumors, of course, have to do with what the "Big Four" are hatching, or are about to hatch, at some point on the earth's surface whose precise locale still remains a secret. They cover a wide range—from an announcement of Turkey's entrance into the war on the side of the United Nations to a warning to the German people of what they can expect in the shape of invasion and accelerated aerial blows unless they find some means of getting rid of the Fuehrer and his gang. Another suggestion, which may not be far off the mark, is that the principal Allied powers are drawing up a formula calculated to prove to the populace that they will not be annihilated when their government accepts the Casablanca dictum of Unconditional Surrender.

In the absence of anything to give credence to the crop of rumors, however, the peoples of the United Nations would be well advised to mark carefully the important fact that the German war machine is still enormously strong, that the populace of the Third Reich will be in no position to revolt so long as Heinrich Himmler's Gestapo maintains its stranglehold. That is not likely to be relinquished while it is charged with the protection of the whole structure of National Socialism and its myriad officials. For these are the men, Hitler and his intimate colleagues included, who have most to fear when the final explosion occurs.

As To Turkey

AT ALMOST ANY TIME IN RECENT months the entrance of Turkey into the war on the side of the United Nations would have surprised nobody. She could have chosen such a course on the day Portugal granted Great Britain the use of the Azores—which implemented one of the basic provisions of the ancient Anglo-Portuguese treaty. However, if we were given to guessing, we might suggest that the men in charge at Ankara found agreement on general principles when Mr. Churchill visited the little railway siding of Adana early this year, while Turkish Foreign Minister Numan Menemenciglu dotted the I's and crossed the t's when he met Mr. Eden in Cairo on his return from the memorable three-power conference in Moscow.

What was decided in the Egyptian capital will remain a closely-guarded secret until concrete action lifts the veil. Nor need the fulminations of the tooth-paste commentators be taken seriously when they become omniscient and tell their invisible audiences that the loss of two or three Dodecanese islands is likely to influence Turkish policy. And far be it from us to imply that this former Italian territory could have been held if it had suited Allied strategy; its proximity to Turkey nevertheless presupposes that Ankara's decision to join the United Nations as an active belligerent would be followed by an intensive bombardment from the air that soon would permit the Allied navies to use the entrance to the Aegean Sea almost at their will. And Turkey now has some of the most modern airfields in the world—built by R.A.F. engineers in readiness to accommodate the various types of British and American aircraft when the circumstances may demand. Air raid precaution practice in Turkish cities may indicate an early move.

For many months, of course, Turkey has been receiving war material from both Britain and the United States in quantities out of all proportion to her requirements as a neutral state. As we mentioned in these columns the other day, Mr. Roosevelt put Turkey on the list of nations eligible for Lease-Lend assistance even while Japan's "peace" envoys were in Washington, because the defence of Turkey was essential to the defence of his own country. In spite of all such visible evidence that the government at Ankara was potentially anti-Axis and patently intended to live up to its treaty with Great Britain, likewise

to abide by Kemal Ataturk's injunction against ever going to war on Germany's side, the men of Berlin in those earlier days obviously were in no mood to employ coercive measures. Nazi ambassador Franz von Papen employed all his arts and wiles; he negotiated economic treaties; his lavish entertainment of Turkish officials and the "bright lights" of Turkish society supplied newspaper correspondents with a good deal of colorful "copy." None of this has turned any German parsnips.

There were times when a declaration of war by Turkey against the Third Reich would have lifted Allied morale. But, as experience has shown, she has been well engaged in keeping Nazi legions from the gates of her part of the Middle East until such times as she could be ready for the blow that will count, not only against Hitler, but also against the Nazi-dominated Balkan satellite nations. That the Ankara government is nearing a decision would seem certain—especially in view of the meeting of Mr. Eden and Mr. Menemenciglu at Cairo—for she has no intention of qualifying merely for standing room at the peace conference. And she will need a friendly understanding with the Soviet Union in order that the future of the Dardanelles can be later discussed in an atmosphere of co-operation.

Victoria's Symphony

THE VOGUE OF THE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA has been one of the phenomena of the musical world during the last decade or so. On this continent all the larger centres of population have their symphonies and few are the smaller communities which have not aspirations in that direction. The symphony movement is one of the manifestations of the expanding field of musical appreciation, to which records and the radio have contributed vitally. In the symphony, instrumental music finds its fullest, richest and most gratifying expression.

Symphony orchestras cost money to maintain. The large and best known of them are either endowed by persons of wealth or subsidized directly or indirectly by government, commercial or educational organizations. Here in Victoria no such endowments or subsidies are available. In spite of the lack of these, the members of the Victoria Symphony Society last year undertook to give Victoria symphony music. They found a talented conductor in the person of Mr. Melvin Knudson. Their concerts under his baton were a revelation to Victorians as to the variety and attainments of musical talent here. What they achieved last season stands as a guarantee of the high standard of their performances this season, the first of which will be given on December 6.

It is the enthusiasm of our musicians that makes possible the symphony here, without the endowments and subsidies which sustain the orchestras in the larger centres. The community is indebted and should be grateful to them for what they are doing to keep Victoria to the fore musically. Civic pride calls for their support and encouragement.

More CBC Bungling

NO "LONDON COMMENTARY" CAME over the Canadian Broadcasting system yesterday afternoon. A musical program took its place. At its end the feminine voice which intones "tame" for time and "London" for London explained the reason—"owing to a last-minute change in the BBC schedule" the commentary had not been available. Then came a pause, followed by this: "Owing to a last-minute change in the BBC schedule we are unable to bring you the BBC news." The CBC voice had scarcely trailed off before the first sentence from the London announcer was actually merging with an almost breathless: "The BBC News" from the CBC official.

Just what is the matter with the CBC so often at 3:45 P.D.T. and 8 P.D.T.? What is the explanation of the all-too-frequent alibi of "owing to poor reception," and so on? Yesterday afternoon was a sample of bungling to which thousands of Canadians can bear witness. We do not pretend to understand the hundred and one technical difficulties which may interfere with reception from overseas, how climatic vagaries play their strange pranks, or how a dinky Atlantic seaboard receiving set can pick up the BBC and yet a powerful station, for example, near Ottawa is obliged to dish out the kind of "explanation" to which licensees in this part of the world frequently are compelled to listen.

But what in the name of commonsense are Canadians to think about this case of a presumably qualified CBC announcer apologizing for inability to bring in a trans-Atlantic service to this country while the service was actually in progress? We have referred to the general unsatisfactory situation in these columns on numerous occasions; and we say now that if the complete reorganization of the CBC begins tomorrow morning, it will not be a minute too soon.

Notes

We might at least appreciate that gas at all costs.

Wealth is pretty well distributed in a land where so many millions don't have to do their own washing.

It is reported that there will soon be an increase in the supply of children's clothes, particularly underwear. This will be welcomed by mothers who have found it difficult to obtain such clothing. We have come to the point where stock piles for the armed forces have been built up, with a consequent slackening in the production of these lines. Under these circumstances there is no reason why plants cannot be turned to supplying goods for essential civilian needs.

Bruce Hutchison

OTTAWA.

BACK TO THE COAST?

WHILE THERE IS little support in this capital for the project of moving the Japanese of Canada back to Japan, this does not mean that the government wants these people to flood back into British Columbia after the war. On the contrary, a sudden congregration of the Japanese on the Pacific Coast would be regarded as a disaster.

If the Japanese are wise they will understand this themselves and not risk creating serious trouble by rushing from the interior as soon as war restrictions are relaxed. Many of them are apparently satisfied with living conditions east of the Rockies but many of those who are still in the B.C. interior have no sound economic foundation. Their instinct will be to return to the coast where they used to make a good living.

All this is going to create a very serious problem for Canada. But Canada does not begin to understand it yet. For example, it was only the other day that the eastern press seemed to become aware that the Japanese problem belonged to Canada and not exclusively to British Columbia. The Toronto Globe and Mail suddenly emitted a shout of alarm at the suggestion that the Japanese might spread all over Canada and no longer remain in B.C. alone. It protested shrilly against such a possibility and insisted that if this were the only alternative maybe the Japanese should be sent back to Japan.

NOT PRACTICAL

THIS IS NOT practical politics. British Columbians will say that it is not practical politics because the federal politicians have no courage. Unfortunately the difficulty is larger than this and goes to the roots of the United Nations' whole post-war strategy.

Obviously, the chief task of United Nations' statescraft after the war will be to build a firm working agreement with Russia and the Oriental world. Falling that, World War III can be heard pounding down the tracks already.

Russia, of course, is an Asiatic power, indeed the greatest Pacific power on the far side of the ocean at the moment. Thrown into the arms of China and Japan and India by failure to agree with the western powers, Russia could become the largest power the world has ever seen. No man in his senses wants to contemplate a break between the western nations and an Orient so organized.

Indeed, the West seeks not only agreement with Russia but with China and all the Oriental races. This is not easy to attain. It will be impossible to attain if the Oriental races decide that the white man will never treat them as equals in the world. The United States government has realized this clearly, after some prodding from Mr. Willkie, and the repeal of its Chinese immigration exclusion law, now pending, is the fruit of this realization. Canada, for its part, is going to repeal its present exclusion of Chinese. This does not mean unlimited Chinese immigration or anything like it—only the admission of a token number of Chinese to establish the fact that we are not discriminating against this race.

WILL NOT HAPPEN

BUT THE PROCESS WILL not end there. The peace treaty, unless it is a complete betrayal of all our advance claims, will contain a provision against racial discrimination and especially against the ill-treatment of minorities within the treaty-making nations. How, in the face of that can Canada attempt the deportation of all Japanese?

Canada will not attempt it. Parliament will not approve it—especially a Parliament with a greatly-enlarged C.C.F. representation. The Japanese are our enemies but, in the view of Ottawa and evidently of Washington, it is impossible permanently to discriminate absolutely against any Asiatic race without causing resentment among all Asiatic races and creating the very attitude in the Orient which we must seek at all costs to avoid.

These are facts which will not be relished in British Columbia and anyone who mentions them will be branded as a doctored sentimentalists at best, an appeaser at worst. But it will be found, when this whole issue comes up for settlement in the Parliament of Canada, that these are the stubborn and real facts which will not yield to British Columbia's demands. We might just as well begin to think about them now and try to work out some solution of the Oriental problem short of deportation.

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(Many Happy Returns on His Birthday Nov. 30.)

Many happy returns of the day to you; Many happy returns of the day. These words are re-echoed by all far and near. Who pray for all blessings upon you each year. In thankfulness we with the Empire now say, To You, many happy returns of the day.

Many happy returns of the day to you; Many happy returns of the day. The Empire you've led like Moses of old, With courage and faith, a great nation to mold. Today with one voice we exclaim and we say,

To You, many happy returns of the day. Many happy returns of the day to you; Many happy returns of the day. How much do we owe to your wisdom so clear, Which guides us in safety through crisis and fear;

We salute you, in all sincerity say, God keep you, and many returns of this day.

DOROTHY ABRAHAM.

If juvenile delinquency continues to mount, it may be necessary to call back the old woodshed.

Washington Spotlight . . .

By C. R. BLACKBURN
WASHINGTON, D.C.

McCAUTHY PROTOCOL

ONE OF THESE DAYS Leigh- ton McCarthy will leave the grey stone Canadian Legation on Massachusetts Avenue, drive down to the White House and before President Roosevelt the credentials proving him to be the choice of the King as His Majesty's first Canadian ambassador to the United States.

Normally this would be a pretty formal and austere ceremony, but it is likely to be anything but pure protocol. For the popular, 72-year-old McCarthy has been Canadian minister to Washington for nearly three years and he and the President have been close personal friends for a much longer time.

For various reasons it is not expected that the presentation of credentials to the President will take place for another two weeks.

ISOLATIONIST PARTY — Burly, blustering off-mart Senator Bob Reynolds from North Carolina and his fellow isolationists, Burton K. Wheeler of Montana and Gerald P. Nye of North Dakota, are said to be toying with the idea of forming or joining a third party to fight

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Veteran War Nurse, Mrs. C. R. Wilson, Dies

Mrs. Margaret Anne Wilson, wife of Capt. C. R. Wilson of Heather Farm, Sidney, died at Sidney Saturday evening after a residence there of 21 years.

Capt. Wilson was born in London, Eng., and during the 1914-18 war was one of the first trained nurses to volunteer her services. Late in August of 1914 she crossed the English Channel to France with the First Emergency Corps, composed of graduate nurses. She nursed in a French hospital at Lourdes, and the following year was invalided back to England.

She was nursing at Chatham Military Hospital annex when she met Capt. Wilson, who had gone from Canada as a piper with the original Gordon Highlanders, and who had been badly wounded in France, and who was one of her patients. They were married on his convalescence.

After the war Capt. Wilson brought his bride back to Canada. They took up residence at Sidney and became well-known residents. Mrs. Wilson, never in robust health, played a quiet part in farm life, and was always willing to help, as best she could, various community enterprises.

She took a keen interest in Red Chevron Association of Victoria, membership in which symbolized early active participating in the 1914-18 war.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Wilson leaves one son, Ian Gordon of Ben Gordon Farm, Saanichton; one granddaughter and a sister in England.

Funeral will be held tomorrow at McCall's chapel at 1, Rev. D. M. Perley officiating, followed by interment at Royal Oak.



Bank of Montreal Expands, Deposits Assets, Marks Set

Reflecting increased business in practically every department—with outstanding expansion in holdings of Dominion-government bonds indicating wider participation in the nation's war effort—the 126th annual report of the Bank of Montreal, issued today, shows total assets at an all-time high of \$1,313,000,000, and may be regarded as an impressive exhibit of the economic strength and stability of the country in this fifth year of war.

Profits for the year which ended Oct. 30, after deduction of taxes payable to the Dominion government, amounted to \$3,302,834, showing an increase of \$19,816 over the previous year, this representing a return of 4.30 per cent on the shareholders' equity, which compares with 4.31 per cent shown a year ago; 4.51 per cent was shown in the 1941 report.

With greater business activity, this figure might have been expected to be higher, but increased taxes have practically offset the effect of enlarged gross earnings. At a figure nearly \$375,000 higher than in 1942, the bank's Dominion government tax bill for the current year amounted to \$2,913,000. This amount \$165,000 is refundable under the provisions of the Excess Profits Tax Act.

The net profits at \$3,302,834 were distributed to shareholders to the extent of \$2,160,000, which compares with \$2,700,000 last year, and an amount of \$500,000 was written off bank premises. This left a balance of \$642,834 to be added to the previous balance of \$1,236,687 in the profit and loss account, leaving the amount in this account at \$1,879,521.

DEPOSITS AT RECORD

Deposits—the largest item in the balance sheet and one which best shows public confidence in the institution—have shown a marked advance in the 12-month period, notwithstanding the heavy inroads made into surplus funds by subscribers to Victory Loans. Under the deposit heading the bank shows an amount of \$1,205,874,000, which is \$140,000 above the figure for 1942, which constituted a record at that time.

Commercial and other loans at \$226,399,000, are only slightly higher. This is in line with the trend of recent years, in which the need for banking accommodation has been substantially decreased.

There is the fact also that many firms engaged in peace-time pursuits, with much reduced production, are not now requiring the financial assistance needed in former years.

Like commercial loans, call loans have shown some increase and now amount to \$22,036,000, as against \$16,210,000 in 1942.

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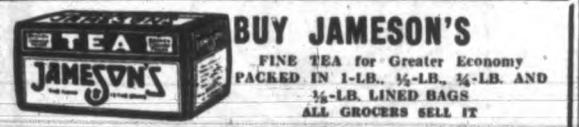
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rick and Bervely Hamilton, and the sword dance by Mamie McAlister; highland flings by the Misses Barrick, Hamilton, and McAlister, with Pipe Major Cameron playing. Solos were rendered by Mrs. D. Ford, accompanied by Mrs. C. Sneddon. Scottish and old-time dancing followed the concert.

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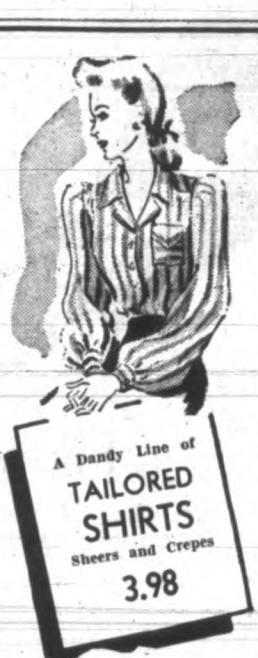
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The British Princesses



Princess Elizabeth wore her first fur coat, soft gray squirrel, when she accompanied the King and Queen and Princess Margaret to see the U.S. service show, "This is the Army," in London.

Personals Weddings

KELSO—HOOPER

Edna May, twin daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Hooper, 2390 Cranmore Road, became the bride Saturday evening in the Church of Our Lord, of Cpl. Hugh Kelso, R.A.F., third son of Mrs. M. Kelso, 126 Templemore Avenue, Belfast, North Ireland, and the late Mr. Kelso. Rev. Canon Scurah officiated. The organist played "Because" and "I'll Walk Beside You," while the bridal party was in the vestry.

The bride was given away by her father, and chose a floor-length gown of rose-beige crepe with a fitted jacket. A sweet-heart headress trimmed with pink flowers caught her matching shoulder veil, and she carried a twin sister veil.

Capt. and Mrs. N. T. Porter of Vancouver and formerly of Duncan have taken up residence at "Peradeniya," North Quadra Street.

Due to unforeseen circumstances the Peters-Gill wedding, which was to have taken place Dec. 8, is now arranged for Thursday at 8:30, at Metropolitan United Church.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Aldous entertained at dinner at their home, Ten Mile Point, Saturday evening in honor of Miss Ethel Croft and FO. Remmer, R.A.C.A.F., whose marriage will take place next week.

Mrs. Robert Macmillan, formerly Miss Ruby-Jean McLuhan of Victoria, has been visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Dan Dryden, in New York, and is now visiting her father's sister, Dr. Ethel McLuhan in Lynchburg, Virginia.

Mrs. R. Williams and baby daughter have arrived from Dartmouth, N.S., to stay with her mother, Mrs. G. Sears, Wilson Street. PO. Richard Williams, R.C.N., youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Williams, Maywood Road, has arrived overseas.

Mrs. J. Paterson, Mrs. R. Donavan and Miss M. Hughes were joint hostesses at a miscellaneous shower at the home of the latter, 661 Head Street, in honor of Mrs. Harvey Bourbonnere, formerly Marlon Harris. Those present were Mesdames S. Taylor, P. Neil, Misses N. Stenmark, D. Ray, B. Fortin, I. Roach, E. Salyn and A. Roe.

Mrs. Archdeacon A. E. de L. Nunn performed the ceremony, and the wedding music was played by F. T. C. Wickett.

Given in marriage by Mr. Henderson, the bride wore a gown of lustrous white satin, inset with lace, with sweetheart neckline, long sleeves fitted over the hands, and a train. Her veil of French net fell from a Mary Stuart headress to form a second train.

She carried a round bouquet of Johanna Hill roses and white carnations. Miss Jean Ray, in turquoise, and Miss Kathleen Burns in pale pink, were bridesmaids. Their floor-length gowns were of crepe, with Mary Stuart headresses and matching net. Both carried arm bouquets of pink and white chrysanthemums. Norman V. Harris of Vancouver was best man, and LAC. Miller Bell, R.C.A.F., ushered.

A reception for relatives and intimate friends was held at the home of the bride's parents. In addition to Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Middleton, other Vancouver guests were Miss Doreen Schofield, sister of the groom; his grandmother, Mrs. Wm. Peters, and his aunt, Mrs. C. B. Baker.

For the honeymoon at Qualicum the bride donned a fur-collared marine blue topcoat over a turquoise blue wool frock with navy accessories. They will make their home in the interior of the province. Among the many gifts was a silver tray from the staff of Western Air Command, Vancouver.

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Canadian Daughters' League, Assembley No. 5, Shrine Hall, Thursday, 8.

Camson Chapter, I.O.D.E., headquarters, Friday, 9.

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The marvelous weather so far has slowed up the sale of these a little, so that the selection still offers just everything. Many delightfully novel wool weaves and some Jerseys, and the smartest styles we've seen. Plain colors, black and several two-tone combinations and plaids you'll simply love. Sizes 12 to 40 and prices from \$14.95 to \$55.

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Dolls' Bazaar Set for Wednesday

An attractive display of dolls will highlight the Dolls' Bazaar to be opened at 2 Wednesday by Mrs. W. C. Woodward in the Nurses' Home at the Royal Jubilee Hospital. Under the sponsorship of the Junior Women's Auxiliary to the hospital and under the general convenorship of Mrs. Leslie Aylard, proceeds of the affair will provide hospital equipment and will continue the social service work of the auxiliary.

Brides, V.A.D.'s, Scots' lassies, pickaninnies, twin brother and sister dolls and baby dolls, all dressed in silk, taffeta, lawn and woolies will be found at the bazaar.

Hand-made dolls' beds will be sold complete with miniature mattresses, hemstitched sheets and pillow cases; colored blankets; blue, pink and white bedspreads.

For wee tots there are woolly lambs, downy ducks, rabbits, horses, donkeys, giraffes and elephants.

There is miniature furniture, a fire engine, a battleship, dolls' clothes, hobby-horse sticks and miniature swings.

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Rudy Valley to Wed

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Rudy Valley, or, as he's known in the United States Coastguard, Lieut. Hubert P. Valley, announced Saturday night he and Miss Betty Jane Greer, Washington, D.C., actress, will be married next Thursday night at the Westwood Village Community Chapel.

W.A. Britannia Branch No. 7, Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., held a card social, cribbage and court whist being played. Next card social, Dec. 16.

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"If you are looking for a husband, wife or sweetheart we will oblige you and run a personal column," writes Vera Schatz in Pow-Wow school paper of Langley high students.

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just let us know and we'll run the necessary ads," she continues.

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Vera's appeal has been answered with notes from the classrooms recording activities both in school and out of Langley high students. One section keeps track of graduates, many now in the forces. War's influence on the school is reflected, too, in Air Cadet and Red Cross write-ups. Kathleen McVicar is editor and Valerie Wilson assistant editor, while Ron McKee is advertising manager.

Stagette Club, tonight, 8. Miss Beth Walker, 162 Jervis Street.



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Weds Cretan Girl By Light of Moon

LIVERPOOL (CP) — Romance in real life can be more adventurous and daring in wartime than anything Hollywood could dream up.

Take the case of Ed. Sydney Robinson, who has just returned to Liverpool with his Cretan bride, Eleftheria.

The hunted British soldier on the island of Crete and the lovely Eleftheria were married by moonlight. Two tattered Australian soldiers were their witnesses and outside the church friends stood guard against the Gestapo. The priest who performed the ceremony knew he would pay with his life if they were discovered.

That was the climax to one of the war's greatest love stories.

Robinson was one of the British soldiers trapped in Crete, but he escaped to the mountains where he lived in caves with goatherds.

Then the Gestapo came in and he fled, this time to a tiny village, where a farmer took the sick soldier and hid him. That farmer was Eleftheria's father.

Death was the penalty for Cretans aiding British soldiers, but the two nursed him back to health and gave him clothes. He returned to his mountain hideout, to come back only for the moonlight wedding.

The bride refused to remain in the comparative safety of the village, and returned to the mountain with her husband. One night a boat took them from the island to the Middle East, and in Cairo they were married again according to British law.

Cedar Hill. Freeman King spoke on the Cub movement and of forming a group at Cedar Hill. Mrs. J. Kingscote presided. Mrs. J. M. McGee reported proceeds of \$330.25 from the country fair. School concert was arranged for Dec. 14 and 15 at 2. A Christmas party will be given the children Dec. 16. Sum of \$16.50 was voted to purchase instruments for a rhythm band.

Cloverdale. Will meet at Cloverdale School Wednesday, at 8. Program will include the showing by T. A. Simmons of the forestry department of several films.

Burnside. Bazaar, Wednesday at 2:30, will be convened by Mrs. Corry. There will be stalls of home cooking, aprons, sewing, white elephant and toys. Tea will be served. In the evening at 8, a whist drive will be held.

Radio Program—At 7:15 tonight over CJVI, following members of Victoria, and District Parent-Teacher Council will speak of their work: Mesdames John W. Wright, R. H. McInnes, J. P. Kingscote and D. B. Cantell.

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Second Central Company met when visitors included Seventh North Browne Pack. Guests were welcomed by the captain, Miss Doris Stocken, the lieutenant, Miss Betty Dayton, C.W. A.C.

A "flying-up" ceremony was held, by which three first-class brownies of the seventh North Pack, Beverly Michell, Doris Glass and Muriel Dresser, received wings. Guides enrolled were, Joan Biddle, Muriel Bonsfield, Isabel Bradbury, Sylvia Hately, Anne Jones, Glenda King, Molly Glendinning and Barbara Oliphant.

First-class awards were reported pending for Gwenyth Earle and Yvonne Davie. A campfire was conducted by Miss Marjory Anstey.

Evaporated Milk On Ration Basis

OTTAWA (CP) — The Prices Board has announced a new order placing evaporated milk entirely on a coupon ration basis in certain restricted areas, effective Nov. 29.

The board also announced that the product known as "partly skimmed" evaporated milk, which is sold chiefly through drug stores on formulas for infant feeding, has been brought under the restrictions which apply to evaporated milk. In areas not specified as "restricted," the present method of having retailers curtail general sale of evaporated milk will continue and now will also apply to "partly skimmed" milk.

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with baking powder, soda and salt, add bran. Cream shortening and sugar well, add unbeaten egg and beat well. Cut bananas in small pieces, cover with hot water. Cover closely and simmer until all the water has been absorbed. Mix bananas mixture with milk, soda and vanilla. Add dry ingredients alternately with banana mixture to creamed egg mixture and mix well. Bake in loaf pan 4x8x2 1/2 at 350° for 1 hour or until done.

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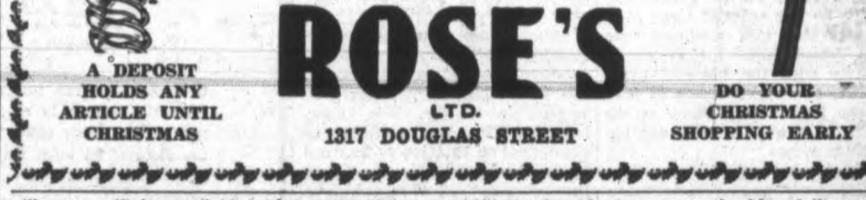
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milk; or a certificate of need may be signed by a physician, public health nurse, or recognized health agency. As an alternative a special consumer's application form may be completed.

The infant's ration book must be taken to the local ration board when the application is being made, unless the infant is less than a month old and the ration book has not been issued.

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Victoria Boy 'Stirs Up' Ottawa

James Alexander Gibson, D.Phil., who went from Victoria College and U.B.C. to Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar, has a new job in Ottawa over and above his seven-days-a-week job for the Canadian government as one of Prime Minister Mackenzie King's secretaries. As chairman of the Techniques of Public Affairs Education Committee, Dr. Gibson is now taking part in an experiment sponsored by the Y.M.C.A. to interest youth in public affairs.

Gibson is the subject of a Toronto Saturday Night profile this week by Caroline Cox with portrait by Karsh.

Victorians know Dr. Gibson as the son of J. W. Gibson, dean of Canadian correspondence school education, now in Ottawa, too, on loan from the B.C. government, with the Canadian Legion Education Service, planning for the education of the forces now and after demobilization.

"What has happened to Dr. Gibson is typical of what has happened to Canada and Ottawa in those last boiling years," says Saturday Night. "It is the reason why Ottawa has become a disturbed and disturbing cross-section of the whole Dominion. Born in Ottawa, Dr. Gibson was transported at the age of two out to Victoria, British Columbia, grew up there, was educated in the free ways of thinking of our west, and now has come back to us, a brilliant, vigorous-minded 'westerner' an adult 'padding stick' to stir up the once-settled Ottawa."

ON THROUGH OXFORD

"Gibson arrived at U.B.C. in 1929, carried on with debating which he has enjoyed since high school," Miss Cox continues. "He also found time for continual activity with the Players' Club, did the one night stands of B.C. in the 1930 Spring Show which he found a good way to see his home province.

"At 19 he settled down into



JAMES GIBSON
Competent on the Job With the
Prime Minister

regular life at Oxford, read the ordinary schools, took a B.A. in modern history and a B.Litt., with a thesis on British Opinion on the Federation of Canada. Already an authority on debate, Gibson jumped into activities of the Oxford Union, became an authority on its rules which he pulled out like rabbits from a hat.

"He 'did' Europe thoroughly including Czechoslovakia and the Baltic States, the League of Nations and Geneva, when the heat was on re Manchuria. Back in Canada he served as secretary of Fairbridge Farm School, and in the spring of 1935 was awarded a Research Fellowship from the Royal Society of Canada that permitted him to return to Oxford for his final degree.

"Since 1938, when he was appointed a third secretary and immediately loaned to the office of the Prime Minister, it has been impossible to dig him away from Mr. King. He is evidently as competent on that job as he must be trustworthy."

Important place in our economy. Our export trade, reflecting heavy flow of munitions and war supplies to the battlefields, was 78 per cent greater in the first eight months of 1943 than in the corresponding period of 1939. Canada was now a creditor nation, with a favorable trade balance to the year ending Aug. 31 last of \$1,311,000,000.

WISE MANAGEMENT

The country's war financing had been wisely managed, and necessary controls to curb inflation had proved effective. These measures and heavy taxation had enabled the government to pay 50 per cent of the war cost out of current revenue.

First obligation of the postwar period would be to return men of the fighting forces to civil employment and make provision for those unable to work. Immigration must be planned, life on the land encouraged, and the small business man given assistance if required. The worker should be assured of steady employment, in good surroundings at fair wages. The government should withdraw from business activities and rescind the hampering regulations now existing.

Tributes were paid to retiring president, A. E. Phipps, now chairman of the board, and to the late R. O. McCulloch, a director since 1931, whose place on the board is now filled by H. T. Jaffray.

LANGFORD — The annual Christmas card party will be held at the home of Miss L. M. A. Savory, Island Highway, Saturday at 8, proceeds in aid of the Salvation Army.

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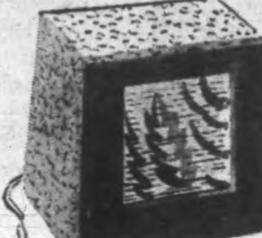
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Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

OUT AT the ice rink tonight a lot of teen-aged boys are going to have to watch their step. They will be on probation and their actions will have a definite bearing on their chances to attend future hockey games this season. Arenas officials have received so many complaints from their grown-up patrons on the actions of the boys in throwing apple cores, chewing gum and even pop bottles, that they will have to take drastic action if conditions do not improve.

Contemplated action will be a ruling that youngsters will not be admitted to future games unless accompanied by an adult. How well we remember in our younger days having to get written permission from our parents or talking mom and dad into going to a theatre so we would be sure of getting in. Or maybe it meant waiting outside a show until we could persuade somebody into taking us in with them and then making a dive for a seat in case the usher wised up. We know the youngsters don't want such a situation at the ice arena so it is up to them to be on their best conduct tonight.

Officials of both the arena and hockey league hate the thought of barring entrance to the young fans but they have to consider the comfort of the adults who pay for the privilege of sitting in box and reserved seats. Here's another tip to the youngsters. Watch your language. Some of the talk that has been floating around the arena these nights has been anything but complimentary. So, boys, let's see some improvement.

Chatted to chubby-faced Hugh McNeill, manager of the Canadian Pacific Airlines hockey club here Friday night, and he was not any too certain about securing the services of Reg Bentley, one of the famous hockey play-

ers. For the artificial variety, with the result that hunters fire from a distance and frequently miss the birds. They then fly a short distance and drop down to die, out of retrieving range.

"It is estimated there will be about 150,000,000 ducks moving southward along the flyways this season, a record number in recent years," Simpson said. "If hunters are allowed to use live decoys, they'll get more meat for their tables, make better use of their scarce ammunition, and preserve the supply of ducks as well."

Boulter, Richman Star As R.A.F. Win Football Battle

After moving into a 4 to 0 lead in the early stages of the match, the R.A.F. soccer team turned back the Army 8 to 6 in Saturday's lone first division engagement. The win moved the British airmen into a first place deadlock with the Victoria Machinery Depot.

Capt. Les Boulter and centre-forward Albert Richman were the scoring stars for the R.A.F. the former with four goals and Richman with three. The eighth goal for the winners was deflected into his own goal by one of the Army players.

Considering the fact they were forced to take the field with a complete new forward line, the Army team performed well. With two of their front line injured and three absent from these parts the Army came up with a revamped line-up that showed a lot of fight after being four goals down.

Goals for the Army were contributed by Travis and Sinclair, each with a pair, and Okell and Edwards.

Joe Obree refereed.

Red Deer Captures Alberta Ice Opener

CALGARY (CP) — Alberta Senior Senior Hockey League 1943-44 season was inaugurated here Saturday night when approximately 4,000 enthusiasts were treated to an overtime game in which A-2 Canadian Army Service Corps Wheelers of Red Deer defeated H.M.C.S. Tecumseh Navy o' Calgary 6 to 5.

Eddie O'Keefe (2), Billy Van Deelen, Warren Stewart, Jack Forsey and Eddie Slowinski were the goal scorers for Red Deer, while Doug Cairns (2), Sweeney Schirner (2), and Joe Shannon were the Navy marksmen.

CHICAGO (AP) — Luke Appling, shortstop with the Chicago White Sox, and 1943 American League batting champion, was inducted into the United States Army Saturday. He is 34. Appling had American League hitters the past season with a .328 average.

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Victorian Opposes 'Racial Prejudice'

VANCOUVER (CP) — A Dominion-wide trade union of all governmental employees — federal, provincial and municipal — is the goal of the Joint Council of Public Employees. W. M. Black, provincial president of the B.C. division, told delegates of the second annual convention here.

"This country is big enough to absorb 100 different racial elements," John Abbott, president of the Victoria regional council, said. "On the coast we say 'Kick the Japanese out.' If we do that we'll soon be saying 'Kick the Jew out,' and later 'Out with the Chinese.' I'm against this racial prejudice."

Mr. Black, president of the Vancouver City Hall Employees' Association, was re-elected president of the joint council.

Harold Baker, Vancouver, secretary of Amalgamated Civil Servants of Canada, was re-elected secretary-treasurer of the joint council. Mr. Abbott was elected vice-president; Jack Lowndes, provincial institutional employees, was elected second vice-president.

The executive members are: William Angus, secretary of the Greater Vancouver Water Board Employees' Union; Ed. O'Connor, Vancouver, president of the B.C. Provincial Council of Government Employees; and Robert Skinner, secretary, Vancouver City Hall Employees' Association.

The two trustees are Trafford Heape, North Vancouver, and W. G. Frampton, Victoria City Hall.

RESOLUTIONS

A series of resolutions dealing with wages and superannuation was passed. They include:

Full-time male adults employed in the Dominion civil service should receive a minimum salary of \$120 a month.

Wages of Dominion government employees should be in conformity, at least, with the minimum wage laws of the province.

Prevailing wages now paid in any district should be adhered to after the war.

The municipal superannuation act should be rewritten to raise the minimum basic rate of \$30 to \$40 per month for municipal employees.

Greater Victoria sent a large delegation. In addition to Mr. Abbott and Mr. Frampton, those from the capital included Stan McLaren of the fire department; Sam McKenzie of the police department; George Perre and Phillip Dye, representing institutional employees; Mrs. Ross Napier of the Victoria Public Library; Robert Todd, representing the school board, and William Watson, the city's outside employees; Vic Rolfe of the City Hall electrical staff; J. Trentham-Clarke of the Victoria Civic Protective Association; from Saanich came David McAdam, president of the Saanich Municipal Employees' Association; Cecil Pearce of the police, and Roy Wooton of the fire department, while Oak Bay was represented by Robert Smith, president of the Municipal Employees' Association of that district.

War Assignment For O. T. Larson

WINNIPEG (CP) — O. T. Larson, vice-president of Trans-Canada Airlines, has been granted leave of absence to fulfill a war assignment in a civilian capacity overseas. It was announced here today.

The announcement said his selection was made on recommendation of Lt.-Gen. H. H. Arnold, commanding general of the United States army air forces.

Mr. Larson, who joined Trans-Canada when it was organized, has been vice-president since 1941.

A.B. Jack Hannam, R.C.N., Victoria, who is now serving aboard H.M.C.S. Haida, Canada's newest Tribal class destroyer recently commissioned. His mother, Mrs. W. Hirst, resides on Albert Head Road. Hannam was a member of the crew of H.M.C.S. Camrose, which early this year saved 129 torpedoed merchant seamen and was credited with hitting a U-boat.



Sgt. Herbert D. Tisdale, R.C.A.F., son of Mrs. L. Tisdale, 1154 Johnson Street, recently promoted from the rank of corporal to active service overseas. Now a qualified Radar mechanic, Sgt. Tisdale has been stationed at Gibraltar for a year. He was in the battle for Tunisia and received King's honors. Born in Victoria, Tisdale was educated at Boys' Central and Victoria High Schools. He enlisted in the air force May 1, 1941. He has a brother, Dick Tisdale, in the R.C.N.R.

Winnipeg Completing Its Election Count

WINNIPEG (CP) — Completion of transfer of ballots in Wards 1 and 2, under the proportional representation system of voting used in Winnipeg's civic elections, elected four aldermen and three school trustees.

Three aldermen and three trustees were re-elected Friday night when their first choice ballots exceeded the quota necessary to elect them. Transfers of ballots in Ward 3 was being made today.

Elected in Ward 1, in addition to Ald. C. E. Simonite, Civic Election Committee, were Ald. Hilda Hesson, C.C.E., and David Mulligan, C.C.F. Mr. Mulligan's victory was gain over the C.C.E. Ald. F. G. Thompson, C.C.E., did not stand for re-election.

In Ward 2, Jack St. John, C.C.E., won the seat formerly held by Ald. Thomas Flye, Independent-Labor, who also did not seek re-election. Ald. James Black, C.C.E., was re-elected on the transfer of ballots and Ald. V. B. A. Anderson, C.C.E., was re-elected Friday along with Ald. John Blumberg, C.C.F., of Ward 3.

The C.C.F. gained a seat on the school board in Ward 1 when E. J. Conway was elected. Mrs. E. M. Rorke and Dr. F. E. Warriner, both C.C.E. candidates, were returned. All three trustees in Ward 2—Adam Back, C.C.E., Rev. P. M. Pethursson and H. A. Chappell, both C.C.F.—were re-elected.

Absorption of Canada By U.S. Seen By Herridge

OTTAWA (CP) — Hon. W. D. Herridge, former Canadian minister to Washington, said here Saturday that if the United States "pursues its imperialist way and if Canada continues on its passive way, then I believe the absorption of this country by our good friend and neighbor is but a matter of time."

In an address at a dinner marking the centennial year of Ottawa's Lisgar Collegiate Institute, he said Canadians are a "disunited people," but they are also "troubled and ready for a lead."

To most of the leaders of democracy in America, as elsewhere, the present conflict is "not a war to build a new world but to restore the old one," he said.

Were the United States to imperialize Canada, the step would mark the end of freedom in both countries.

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Service Canteen In Dominion Show

With all the servicemen's canteens springing up around the country and with admission to civilians barred therefrom, it is going to be a special treat to see Paramount's "Salute For Three," a romantic musical, most of which is laid right inside a canteen of soldiers and sailors.

The picture, which co-stars Betty Rhodes and Macdonald Carey will arrive Tuesday at the Dominion Theatre, loaded with laughs, songs and dances. Supporting players include Marty May, Broadway stage star; Cliff Edwards and his ukulele, Lorraine and Rogan and their eccentric dancing, and Dona Drake and her all-girl band.

The story concerns the romance between a returned hero (Macdonald Carey) and a radio singer (Betty Rhodes) whose press agent talks her into making a play for Carey for publicity purposes. What happens between them is told to the tune of five hit songs: "Don't Worry," "What Do You Do When It Rains?" "I'll Do It For You," "My Wife's a Waac" and "Left-Right."

Melodrama Shown At Plaza, Oak Bay

Barry Fitzgerald, one of Hollywood's most capable character actors, has a role. He refuses to appear in more than one film at a time. But he recently broke that rule.

The actor was playing an important part in a major picture at Universal studio when he received a call from the casting chief. The executive invited him to accept a second role in "Two Tickets to London," the romantic melodrama starring Michele Morgan, which is now at the Oak Bay and Plaza Theatres.

"Not me," said Fitzgerald. "One picture at a time is my limit."

"It's a swell role for you, Barry," the casting director persisted. "You play the part of a retired navy captain. When things get desperate in the North Atlantic, you come out of retirement, put on your old uniform and go back to sea—the master of a ship again."

Other notables in "Two Tickets to London" are C. Aubrey Smith, Tarquin Olivier, Mary Gordon, Oscar O'Shea and Dooley Wilson. Edwin L. Marin was the producer-director.

Major Ball Session Promises No Action

NEW YORK (AP) — Except possibly for some slugging about night baseball, it looks like a peaceful party for the major leagues at the winter meetings here this week—but the minors are rolling up their sleeves and getting ready to throw some punches.

This is the first time in 24 years the majors and the minors have sat down together in New York. In addition to postwar problems the minors are bringing with them a bundle of 16 amendments which may cause hot arguments.

Chief of these changes is a proposal by the American Association for a graduated scale of voting power among the minors.

There's another row cooked up by the 45 leagues which didn't operate in 1943, but paid their National Association dues. They are hollering for voting privileges.

Although the Phillies may come up with something if their plan of landing Herb Pennock as general manager materializes, the chances of any big ivy deals in the major league conclaves is slim. Most outfits are holding on to what they have.

However, the majors will do a lot of talk over the player limits—some clubs, including the Yankees, want this boosted from 25 to 30 players per club—and night baseball, to which Brooklyn probably will return next year. The Washington Senators and the St. Louis Browns are a clinch to ask for a boost in the legal limit of night baseball.

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In R.A.F. Show



CPL. J. GRIFFITH

Those who were unable to be present at the recent performance of the Royal Air Force Crazy "Smile" Show will have another opportunity when the show returns to the Royal Victoria Theatre on Wednesday, Dec. 1, at 8:30 p.m.

Since the Crazy "Smile" Show was presented last in Victoria, new acts have been added and the production promises to be bigger and better than before.

Comedy, music and magic will hold sway when the curtain rises once again on a show which has already won great popularity on its debut.

The entire show will be presented and produced by Fit. Lt. Hugh Parker, who will be seen in his role as master of ceremonies.

Tickets, at popular prices, can be obtained from Fletcher Bros., Douglas Street, Victoria.

'This Is the Army' Stays at Capital

Irving Berlin may have 20 odd years of song-writing and show business behind him, but he has just made his debut as a motion-picture actor. He sang a song of his own, "This Is the Army," which Warner Bros. is producing in Technicolor for Army Emergency Relief, and which is currently at the Capitol Theatre.

At 1:30 in the afternoon, he reported on Stage 9, to make a recording of his song, "Oh, How I Hate to Get Up in the Morning."

To say he was nervous would be the understatement of the year.

Berlin is always nervous. Even though he has sung the song 200 times or more since the opening of "This Is the Army" in July, 1942, the job of recording his thin, ready-voiced voice, lifted high in song, presented a tremendous obstacle to him.

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The Crystal Ball

Film Tells Story Of House, People

Approximately 130 years of stirring history is depicted in "Forever and a Day," a human interest story of a house and its people which could not be downed by war or adversity; it is now at the Cadet Theatre.

Featuring a cast of 80 noted players, the story is told in several related sequences with flashbacks and current shots of the Battle of Britain skillfully blended to produce a gripping screen narrative.

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Audience at an isolated army camp didn't know, but girl members of the Versatile concert party were really living up to tradition—the show must go on... Result of bus accident on the way out, Margaret Bierman went through her part with an injured foot. Dorothy Fynn danced with a bruised shoulder and Grace Adams and Mary Armitage trilled through their songs although badly bruised and shaken. Male members of the party had shivered on the roadside for two hours waiting for the delayed bus... Rotary Bulletin warning to speed hogs. He heard the toot; he tried to scoot and beat the choo choo to it; the poor gallop now twangs a lute. Take heed and don't you do it... Gytoria humor. "You should see our new flagship," said the American sailor. "It's so big that the captain goes round the deck in an auto." "That's not so hot," said the British sailor. "The kitchens in our new ships are so large the cook has to go through the stove in a submarine to see if the potatoes are cooked."

If you must be frozen to a job this sounds all right. Nine days fishing in Coos Bay netted Capt. Carl J. Serwold and his five-man crew shark liver to the value of \$50,000. They were only five weeks out... If stout beer is an issue raised by R.A.F.'s Dick Dean who was told at the liquor store he could only get beer on his permit, Dean, who is the owner of a nice little pub in Essex, was disappointed he couldn't get stout to use for some "half and half."

In spite of the explanation there is no intention to enforce the clause, wartime housewives would be happier if the power to give three days' notice to quit was struck from the lease. "You don't feel like gardening or keeping up a place with that threat hanging over you," said one. The fight to get it eliminated is continuing... Idea for parked-car marking. Mark the car if parked cars fill most of the parking space, but skip it when the street is so empty no other cars are being crowded out.

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"Epicentre of the quake would be within a 100-mile radius of Victoria, and the shock would be equally intent in Victoria, Vancouver and Seattle. It was a light local quake, slightly more intent than similar quakes recorded here within the last six months." Citizens felt buildings tremble and saw pictures on the walls and hanging light fixtures sway during the quake, which was accompanied by a noise similar to the rumble of a heavy motor lorry, according to Dr. Pearce. There was no damage reported in the Victoria area.

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Liquor Queues Forming Again, Beer Runs Out

Queues are forming again outside Victoria liquor stores and "no beer" signs are being hung out.

Saturday, at both Johnson and Humboldt Street stores, there were long lines of people most of the day and by mid-afternoon the beer was all gone and hundreds were turned away, disappointed and dry.

More than 5,000 cases of beer were sold in Victoria stores on Saturday. Thus, more than \$10,000 passed over the counters for beer alone.

Beer ran out because the breweries are running short of bottles. All November permit-holders bought their quota of three dozen bottles, whereas normally most of them would have been content with possibly one or two and maybe a bottle of spirits. Never before were so many "empties" in the basements of Greater Victoria.

Liquor Commissioner W. S. Kennedy remains absolutely "mum" on the liquor ration for December. He said today it would be Wednesday morning before he announces it. All he would say was that it would be as generous as possible and agreed when someone suggested that would not be exactly true.

Brewers, however, were not very optimistic about December. Thos. Sutherland, secretary of the Brewers' agency in Vancouver, said "there is not enough brewery capacity in B.C. to give everybody a case of beer if all permit-holders attempt to exercise their privileges."

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TOWN TOPICS

Found guilty of dangerous driving Nov. 3, Fred Parkinson was fined \$30 in city court today.

Considerable damage resulted in an accident on Gorge Road Saturday night. Police said cars driven by John D. Drever, 2693 Tillicum Road, and Harry Birnie, 1013 Hillside, collided.

W. O. McPherson, local wood fuel officer with the Department of Munitions and Supply, will leave Victoria Tuesday for a four-day trip up-island to survey the fuel situation. His trip will take him to Courtenay.

Tonight at the Y.W.C.A. at 8, E. E. Richards will speak on "Christ and The Kingdom"—inside information on the war from the pages of the Bible, and the awakening realization that great prophecies are now being fulfilled.

Compensation amounting to \$25 for medical and other expenses is sought from the city by S. A. Shrimpton for injuries sustained by his wife in a fall on uneven paving on Humboldt Street sidewalk. The request is included in a letter received at the City Hall today.

**Small Airports
To Provide Fliers
With Postwar Jobs**

Primarily instigated to ensure employment for R.C.A.F. fliers returning from the war, C. R. Patterson, president of the Aeronautical Institute of Canada, outlined a plan for formation of civic airports to a joint meeting of the aviation committee of Victoria City Council and the Chamber of Commerce today.

Mr. Patterson pointed out the increase in employment for factory workers that would be created by converting planes at present used in war pursuits, and the advantages to small communities in having air service, both passenger and mail, as important results of such a scheme.

He suggests that all communities with population over 1,000 should be served. During the course of his Dominion-wide tour he has met with much enthusiasm.

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**December Revenue
Will Pile Up Big
Surplus for City**

With tax collections at the end of November virtually equaling the estimate for the whole year and revenue from sources other than taxation bordering on the anticipated figure for the full 12 months, Victoria heads into December with a material surplus assured, figures compiled by D. A. Macdonald, city comptroller-treasurer, today.

When the budget was completed this year, estimated collection of taxes were fixed at 90.947 per cent of the total levy. At 11 today actual collections were 90.8672 per cent of the levy.

That figure may be materially enhanced in the next day or two, with the final 3 per cent addition on outstanding taxes to be applied Thursday.

At the end of October, collections from sources other than taxation were within \$96,830 of the estimate for the full year. That adverse difference will be made up almost entirely by regular water rates collected for November and December, leaving other gains to go towards the surplus.

Actual collections at the end of October were \$706,749.62 from sources other than taxes. The estimate for the full year is \$803,580.

Already in excess of estimates for the year were collections to the end of October of legal fees which doubled the estimate of \$535. Pound fees were over the top fractionally, while poll tax was \$1,715 above the estimate and road tax \$193.50. A gain of \$137.50 was shown in building fees while miscellaneous receipts exceeded the estimate by \$125.48.

Returns from the Athletic Park, highest in history, were \$1,408.48 in excess of expectations, while those for Macdonald Park showed an increase of \$320.17. Victoria's share of the motor license was \$377.93 above the estimate.

In virtually all other departments, with the possible exception of the homes for aged men and women returns will exceed estimates on the basis of current collection trends.

**Stand-by Chlorinator
Gives No Protection**

The City Council resolution suggesting chlorination equipment be installed at the source of Victoria's domestic water supply but kept inoperative until an emergency arises is not acceptable to federal authorities, R. W. Mayhew, M.P., informed the council by letter today.

Mr. Mayhew had been asked to make representations to federal authorities on the city's behalf.

The government, he wrote, does not deem establishment of such a plant for stand-by use in the case of sabotage, enemy action or pollution of the water from any other cause, as proper protection.

He was, he added, referred to the statement of Dr. C. E. Dolman on the subject.

"This suggestion," the Dolman statement said in part, "displays woeful ignorance of the fact that by the time a bacteriological emergency is recognized, an epidemiological disaster may be upon us. It sometimes takes several days to complete the examination of a water sample, by which time a sizeable proportion of the community may be irretrievably headed

Committee Named On Day Nurseries

G. Wilkinson, A. Bull and H. Yeaman were named by the Vancouver Island Joint Labor Conference Sunday to a committee to continue efforts to secure day nurseries here.

The committee was appointed following lengthy discussion on a letter from A. MacNamara, director of Selective Service, stating unless a woman could show her children were receiving adequate care, she was not encouraged to take employment. The conference had earlier written the Selective Service chief deplored employment of mothers of young children who were left without adequate care.

Mr. MacNamara also referred the conference to the provincial government for discussion of day nurseries.

Support of all unions for labor candidates nominated for the civic elections a week from Thursday was urged by George Wilkinson, chairman of the joint elections committee. Mr. Wilkinson outlined the committee's work and asked organized groups to endorse Mrs. A. S. Christie and Mrs. A. C. Ross, who, he said,

have signified their willingness to support the labor platform. A request was also made by a delegate for support for P. E. George in the mayoralty contest.

STUDY LABOR LEGISLATION

The conference named Mr. Wilkinson, W. Shaw and Robert Noble to a committee to report on prevailing labor legislation and amendments deemed necessary to protect the rights of labor. The committee's work will coincide with that of mainland groups now preparing for the next session of the provincial legislature.

Delegates were invited to hear Dyson Carter at the Royal Victoria Theatre Dec. 10 and were told the next regular meeting of the conference would be held Jan. 9.

Thanks from the Cumberland Local 7293, United Mine Workers of America, for support extended by the conference were conveyed in a letter from that local.

During the meeting films dealing with the unity of the Allies, armaments production and preparations in England for the invasion of Europe, sponsored by the National Film Board and the Workers' Education Association, were previewed.

The meeting heard credentials of W. O. Clunk, Typographical Union; G. M. Walton, C. T. Anderson and W. B. White, Bollermakers and Iron Shipbuilders' Union; H. Sudlow and Fred Davison, Capital Division 100, Street Railwaymen's Union, and Frank Glass and J. A. Stone, Lodge 613, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen. They were seated as delegates.

Victoria Boys in Forestry Centre



Canadian Forestry Corps Training Centre at Chicoutim, Lake St. John, Quebec, has a large number of British Columbia boys. Maj. John Larsen, Swedish born and naturalized in Canada in 1932, is the officer commanding. He enlisted in the artillery in Vancouver at the outbreak of the war as a bombardier. Front row from left to right: Pte. Frank Kasawki; Pte. Frank Porter, Powell River; Pte. Alex MacFarlane, New Westminster; Pte. Billy Badham, Balacanta,

B.C.; Pte. Pete Nielsen, Vancouver; Pte. William Pernoski, Abbotsford, B.C.; Pte. Clarence Ostenske, Kleena Kleene, B.C.; Pte. Jack Kennedy, New Westminster, B.C.; Middle row: Pte. H. C. Schulze, Nelson, B.C.; Pte. G. C. Meacock, Victoria; Pte. H. G. Gilchrist, New Westminster; Pte. J. D. Robinson, Chemainus, B.C.; Pte. B. W. Edgley, Vernon, B.C.; Pte. C. Friedman, Alberni, Vancouver Island, B.C.; Pte. N. V. Warner, Slocan City, B.C.; Pte. M. Dawson, Hammond, B.C.; Pte. Vancouver.

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H. W. Ralston Dead After Short Illness

Henry Wellington Ralston, 56, of 1256 Acton Street, well-known resident of Victoria for a quarter of a century died suddenly on Saturday after an illness of six days.

Mr. Ralston was born in Birtle, Man., Jan. 20, 1887 and came to Victoria in 1919 after serving overseas in the 1914-18 war.

He took a keen interest here in boys' community work and until the time of his death led a class of boys at Centennial Church Sunday School.

He leaves his wife and three sons, Sub-Lieut. H. Keith Ralston, 22, brilliant U.B.C. student, now serving with the Canadian

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Ward One Liberals

Ward One Liberal Association, at the annual meeting, elected officers as follows: Hon. president, Mr. Henry Wilson; hon. vice-president, Mr. J. W. Mercer; president, Mr. Joshua Smith; vice-president, Mr. James P. Brown; secretary, Mrs. A. C. Ross; treasurer, Mrs. J. Joyce; executive members, Mrs. F. Hazlehurst, Mrs. L. C. Dawkins, D. Casillo, D. McMillan, T. Allan, L. C. Dawkins; delegates to central executive, Mrs. J. Joyce, J. P. Brown.

K. W. Davey, president of the Victoria Liberal Association, outlined plans for the future of the association and dealt with many phases of postwar reconstruction. A question period followed, providing interesting discussions.

Agreements Urged For Postwar Needs

Opinion that provision for a shorter work week would have to be embodied in new agreements, to provide employment for men returning from the forces, was voiced by delegates of the Victoria Joint Shipyards Council at a recent meeting.

Such agreements, it was said, would require a guaranteed living standard based on actual requirements. The extension of vacation with pay to two weeks and relief from restrictions was also recommended.

Framing of new agreements with a view to peacetime problems as well as those of the war was urged by W. B. Caffin, president of the joint council, who pointed to the necessity of making arrangements for the employment of the greatest number of shipyard workers possible.

Speakers emphasized the point major B.C. shipyards are publicly financed and should remain the property of the Canadian people to be used in a postwar program. Shortage of ships had been given as the reason for inadequate supplies being forwarded to the office, but that of the shareholders and of the Bank, and its present high reputation and standing in the business life of Canada, is due to a small measure to his wife.

SCOUT NEWS

Royal Oak — After the pack meeting Tuesday, Sixer Gordon Goddard was presented with his second proficiency star. A patrol of Scouts were present and a going up ceremony was held and Goddard "went up" from the pack to the troop.

Annual local association meeting was held Wednesday. Reports were given and following officers elected: A. D. Corker, president; G. Partridge, vice-president; Mrs. G. Partridge, secretary-treasurer; committee is Maj. L. H. MacQueen, Mrs. A. D. Corker, Mrs. L. H. MacQueen, M. McKenzie and Mr. Chisholm.

Sidney — Parents' night was held, about 25 attending. Regular troop meeting was held, and a demonstration of advanced first aid in the dark was given. Verne Millar was invested as a Scout and one new recruit was taken in. The scoutmaster and A.S.M. have put up a pack sack for competition in nature work.

Langford—B.C. Forestry put on a motion picture show for the benefit of the troop. Mrs. K. E. Hanson was invested as cubmistress and presented with her warrant by the training commissioner, Freeman King.

Wartime housing—A pack has been started with Mrs. Lily Lucas as their Akela, and they are progressing very well.

St. Mary's Pack—The Akela, Miss Phyllis Gray, is ill in St. Joseph's Hospital. Visitors are welcome. Miss Winnifred Lees is running the pack for the time being.

District—Meeting was had with Will Currier, Dominion Commissioner for Training. He gave a lot of information and answered many questions.

Ten Scouts acted as casualties for Civil Defence last Monday night and did a good job at Quadra Primary School.

The suggestion that the city provide funds for supervised playground activity next year and budget some assistance for work among teen-age and senior citizen groups is suggested by the Council of Social Agencies in letters received at the City Hall to day.

Farmers receive a larger share of retail price for meats, eggs, potatoes and dairy products than for other farm crops.

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Presidential Address at 69th Annual Meeting Imperial Bank of Canada

NEW HIGH LEVELS IN ASSETS AND DEPOSITS

The Sixty-ninth Annual Meeting of Shareholders was held at the Head Office, Toronto, on November 24th. Mr. R. S. Walde, President, addressed the meeting.

As you know, the end of our fiscal year was marked by the retirement, due to failing health, of Mr. A. E. Phipps as President of the Bank. But before speaking of the President's resignation I must refer to the loss sustained by the Bank in the death, earlier in the year, of our Director, Mr. R. O. McCulloch. A long-time resident of Galt, Ontario, Mr. McCulloch was highly regarded in the community where he lived, as well as by those who had the privilege of being associated with him. He became a Director in 1931, and was at all times a staunch supporter of the Bank, and most active in promoting its welfare. To fill the vacancy on the Board caused by Mr. McCulloch's death, our General Manager, H. T. Jaffray, was elected.

The resignation of Mr. Phipps came effective on the 30th October, and I should like to take this opportunity to voice the sincere regret of the Directors and of the Shareholders that Mr. Phipps felt compelled by the state of his health to resign as President and Chief Executive Officer of the Bank. For over fifty-two years, Mr. Phipps has been an officer of this Bank, and having filled many positions of responsibility was our General Manager from 1931 to 1937. He became a Director in 1929, and in 1937 was elected President. During all that time Mr. Phipps rendered a signal service to the Bank, and its present high reputation and standing in the business life of Canada, is due in a small measure to his wife.

The production of fish marketed last year was valued at \$75,000,000 compared with \$69,000,000 in 1941, and the value of sea-fish harvested in 1943 is reported to be nearly double that of last year. Large quantities have been shipped to the United Kingdom and other United Nations.

Forestry and Construction.

Scarcity of manpower has seriously affected the production of logs for lumber and pulp for which there has been a greater demand than could be supplied, with the result that all products of the forest including newsprint have been subject to strict control. Production of newsprint for the first 8 months of the year amounted to 1,965,000 tons, a reduction of nearly 9% compared with the same period last year and the industry is now able to operate at only 70% of capacity. New construction, apart from war needs, has also been restricted by lack of labour and material but with the return of peace and removal of wartime controls there will be a backlog of construction requirements which will give employment to many.

Mining.

Canada now ranks as the greatest exporter of base metals in the world, and the output this year will be the largest in the Dominion's history. This country now supplies about 40% of the war requirements of the United Nations for aluminum, and is producing 95% of the nickel, 20% of the zinc and mercury, 12 1/2% of the copper, 15% of the lead, and 75% of the asbestos.

Immigration must be planned, and life on the land should be encouraged, and the small business man given assistance, if required. The worker should be assured of steady employment, in good surroundings, and at fair wages. The Government should withdraw from business activities and rescind the hampering regulations no longer existing.

If all these things are done under a free economic system it should make for a more contented people and Canada a happier place in which to live.

Coming back to our own immediate affairs, we are proud of the part we have been able to take in the financing of the war, including our own customers who have been engaged in the manufacture and production of supplies of every kind, and we are grateful for the confidence reposed in us by the public; which confidence we will do our best to retain. For our part, we are also prepared to do our full share in the reconstruction and readjustment period which will follow after the war.

I would like to join with the General Manager and pay my tribute to the 580 members of the staff who have given their best to the service of the Armed Forces and to extend the sincere sympathy of myself, the Directors and the Shareholders to the families of those 22 officers who have already paid the supreme sacrifice.

It is with pleasure that I bear testimony to the efficiency and devotion to duty of the remaining members of the staff, from the General Manager down, the majority of them now comprising young women, all of whom continue to perform their duties under arduous circumstances to the entire satisfaction of the Directors and management and with credit to themselves and to the public whom they serve.

The following were elected Directors: Messrs. A. E. Phipps, Col. J. F. Michie, R. S. Walde, G. C. Heintzman, J. W. Hobbs, Walter C. Laidlaw, John A. Northway, G. H. Atkins, K.C., Winnipeg; H. E. Sellers, Winnipeg; W. B. Woods, Arthur L. Bishop, E. E. Buckerfield, Vancouver; G. C. Cockshutt, Brantford; Herbert H. Horsfall, H. T. Jaffray, W. B. Powell, Hamilton; H. L. McCulloch, Galt.

A subsequent meeting of the Directors elected: Messrs. A. E. Phipps, Chairman of the Board, R. S. Walde, President; Col. J. F. Michie and H. T. Jaffray, Vice-presidents.

War Finance.

The Minister of Finance and his advisers are to be commended for

NATIONAL SELECTIVE SERVICE

Seventh Compulsory Employment Transfer Order

NOTICE TO CERTAIN EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES

Notice is hereby given that male employees in certain specified lines of civilian employment, who are at least 16 years old and not yet 41 years old, or who later reach age 16, must report for interview not later than December 1st, 1943, to an Employment and Selective Service Office.

A. OBJECTIVE:

The Order makes available for more essential work the services of certain men who are presently employed in specified employments.

B. EMPLOYMENTS COVERED BY THIS ORDER:

Men of the specified categories are covered if now employed in:

1. The underwriting, selling, brokering or administering of policies of insurance of any and every kind, including but not restricted to life, fire, accident, sickness, automobile, marine and general insurance.
2. (a) Short term credit companies including but not restricted to establishments engaged in sales financing, industrial credit, money lending and pawn-broking.
- (b) The managing or supervising of the investment of bonds, stocks and securities, including establishments engaged in investment trust and investment advising;
- (c) Trust Companies; mortgage companies, establishments engaged in investment and loan business, including bond houses, stock exchanges and grain exchanges.

3. Real Estate (Finance and Operation).

4. Travel Agencies.

5. (a) Year-Round Hotels (Employees of Year-Round Hotels in the following occupations are excepted from the requirements of this Order:—skilled mechanical maintenance men, stationary engineers, chief chef, laundry washmen and extractor operators, engineer-fitters and hotel manager);

(b) Seasonal hotels; rooming and boarding houses; auto courts and tourist camps; organization hotels and lodging houses.

6. The manufacturing of millinery, bedspreads, trimmings and embroideries.

7. The manufacturing of academic caps and gowns, vestments, theatrical costumes and masquerade costumes, commercial uniforms.

Men referred to above must present documents at the employment office, indicating compliance with Mobilization Regulations.

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Sea Cadet Parade Climaxes Navy Week

Victoria's Royal Canadian Sea Cadets, Rainbow 1 and 2, recognized as one of the most efficient and highly-trained units of its kind in Canada, went on parade Saturday as a wind-up to Navy Week.

Headed by the R.C.N. and Sea Cadet bands, the uniformed sea cadets, numbering about 150, fell in at the City Hall at 2 under the command of Lt.-Cmdr. P. W. Tribe, R.C.S.C., and marched along Douglas to Yates, Yates to Government, Government to Fort, Fort to Douglas and back to the City Hall, where they were dismissed.

Officers commanding the Rainbow units were Lieuts. Joe McAlister, W. H. Smith, Harwood and Swanson.

Crowds of citizens lined the sidewalks of the city's busy thoroughfares as the smartly turned out cadets passed by to the stirring music of the Navy Band.

The Rainbow units of Victoria total 250 boys. Some of them were prevented from parading Saturday by fact that they are engaged in industrial work essential to the war effort.

NEED FOR FUNDS

Speaking of Navy Week, Capt. R. W. McMurray, president of the Victoria and Island branch of the Navy League of Canada, said it was hoped by the campaign to get more members and funds for



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the Navy League, which sponsors the sea cadet movement.

Vancouver Island, with a population of approximately 180,000, had but a membership of 300 in the Navy League, he said, pointing to the room for growth in a navy-minded island.

"What is urgently needed," said Capt. McMurray, "is enlarged sea cadet quarters in Victoria. There are lots of boys eager to join the cadets, but until larger training facilities are available they are prevented from doing so. New membership in the Navy League and funds raised in the present intensive campaign will help in this direction."

With larger training facilities at West Bay headquarters, Capt. McMurray sees no reason why the sea cadet units in Victoria cannot be increased to 400 boys or more.

Drama Awards Open To B.C. Writers

Open to B.C. writers are the Dramatists' Alliance of Stanford University competitions now offering four awards in dramatic writing for their ninth annual contests.

Stephen Vincent Benet is remembered in a new prize for radio plays in prose or verse, preferably on American themes. This award is \$50 and recommendation to radio production units. Other prizes are the Anderson award of \$100 for verse drama in full-length or one-act form; the Etheredge award for full-length comedy; also \$100 the Gray award for dramatic criticism bringing \$25 and recommendation to standard periodicals.

Dramatists' Alliance, Box 200-Z, Stanford University, Calif., supply registration forms and information. Final date for the series is March 14, 1944.

Poultry Producers To See U.B.C. Films

Members of the Lower Island Local of the Pacific Coast Poultry Producers' Association, learned at their last meeting in Y.W.C.A., that their efforts to obtain representation for the Standard (Exhibition) Bred Poultry Industry at the Ottawa poultry conference in January, received the endorsement of mainland poultrymen.

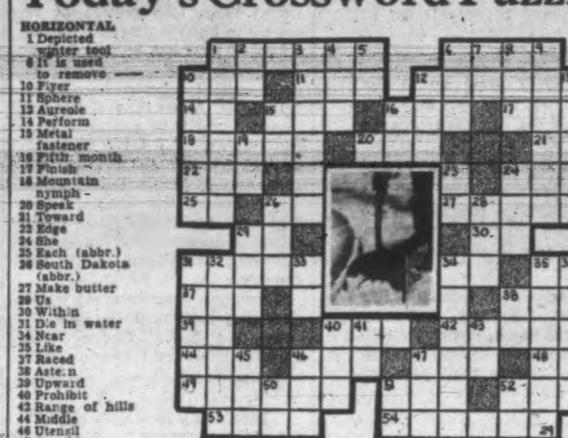
It was reported that preliminary arrangements have been made to have a member of the staff of the U.B.C. visit Vancouver Island in January for the purpose of showing films and slides on the poultry industry to

Pacific Coast Poultry Producers' locals at Victoria, Nanaimo and Duncan.

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Today's Crossword Puzzle



(Answer to previous puzzle)

1. German
2. Units with thread
3. To be
4. Was victorious
5. Persuasion
6. Volcano
7. Act of plundering
8. Crafty
9. Native of Asia
10. Sea egg
11. Crafty (abbr.)
12. Negative
13. It is used in thin months
14. Cup of meat
15. Advertising
16. Obstruct
17. Ans. 18. First one
19. Happy
20. Decoys
21. Through
22. Reversible
23. Mother
24. Type measure
25. Landing ship Columbia (abbr.)
26. Either

Dorothy Dix

Dear Dorothy Dix: Mother and dad have been married for 30 years. We have found out absolutely that he is living with another woman and that he is about to lose his job because of it. Mother knows nothing of this, though all of our friends and acquaintances do. She has been a fine wife to my father, a hard worker and a good manager, and she has denied herself many of the things she wanted in order to get them where they are.

Would it be wiser and kinder for one of us daughters to tell her of how father is treating her, or should we have a talk with him first? We know that he is very much afraid of her finding out about it because he has asked us not to tell her.

MRS. C. L. F.

PLAIN TALK MAY SMOOTH FATHER'S PATH

Answer: By all means have a plain talk with your father before you say anything to your mother. Perhaps if you make him realize that you are not going to protect him in his double dealings any longer, it will put the fear of God in him and he will behave himself.

Probably he is still fond of your mother in his way and admires and respects her and doesn't want her to repudiate him and divorce him. Nor does he want to have his good, comfortable home broken up and his children alienated from him. He is just one of the foolish men who think they can sin without being found out, and that they can dance without ever having to pay the piper. When he is called upon to settle the score, he may decide to go back to home and mother.

If he doesn't, of course, you have no alternative but to tell your mother, but let her live in her fool's paradise as long as she can.

METCHOSIN BOY SCOUTS

Metchosin Scout Group will hold a card party at Metchosin Hall Thursday at 8, proceeds to go to scout and cub funds.

At the residence of C. L. Smith, 303 Montreal. Matters in connection with the reorganization will be discussed.

Saanich Special Police will meet Monday at 8 at Institute Hall, Royal Oak, for a lecture and stretcher drill.



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Club Luncheons

Fifty members of the Alberta B.C. Board of Trade conference will meet with the Kiwanis Club

Tuesday. Members from Calgary, Edmonton, Grand Prairie, Dawson Creek and Prince Rupert will give short addresses.

The gyro is to hearing Dick Davidge, who returned to Victoria last Sunday after a five-year cruise of the South Seas on the 48-foot schooner Lorna D.

Dr. Joseph A. Pearce of the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory, Saanich, will address the Rotary Club Thursday on "Surveying the Universe."

New members will be inducted into the club when the Lions Club meets Thursday afternoon.

A carload of Imperial grapefruit and a small shipment of pears—the last from the Okanagan—arrived in the city Saturday.

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Considers Offer To Direct Choir

Christ Church Cathedral in still without the services of a permanent musical director.

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One Woman's Day...

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YOUTH AND VOTING

SHOULD THE VOTING age be lowered from 21 to 18?

This question has just been placed before a number of women in the United States by a leading American magazine. The result of the poll shows opposition of two to one against any lowering of the age of enfranchisement, on the grounds that youth at 18 is not mature enough.

On the other hand, the consensus of the same feminine reaction reversed that decision in regard to young men and women under 21 in the armed services. They thought that those old enough to fight were old enough to vote.

CANADA'S PROBLEM

THE MATTER IS one of timely interest in this country, too. I don't know how Canadian women en masse would decide on the general question, but I feel pretty sure they would endorse their American neighbors' views on the fighting forces.

But to my mind an even more urgent question is: "What do you think can be done to induce those who already have the vote to use it?"

Here again it is enlightening to take a look at what the women to the south are doing in this direction.

WEIGHTY FACTOR

ACCORDING TO THE New York Times, women leaders of both the Republican and Democratic parties have already started a campaign to lure out the women's vote, which they predict will be the weightiest in the history of American presidential elections.

"In the 1942 elections, the women's vote totaled about 32 per cent. Since it is expected that women will hold the balance of power in the 1944 election—estimates show that women may poll as high as 60 per cent of the total vote—women have become aware of a new and serious responsibility," says a Republican.

PATRIOTISM AND POLITICS

TO THE SUGGESTION that women might be too busy at war-work to take part in politics, a feminine Democrat warned:

"Efforts to tag all political work in wartime as 'unpatriotic' must be countered. The woman who shuns political activity is aiding and abetting the forces of indifference and visionary thinking which would destroy our government."

Emphasis was also laid upon the important objectives facing women. Hitherto, that had been the care of their children and homes. But today those objectives must include what affects their homes and lives

most deeply—enlightened representation in government.

WHAT IT COST

PERHAPS BECAUSE I grew up in the era in Britain which saw the suffrage campaign at its height, I have always valued the privilege of voting.

As a young girl in my teens I saw daughters of titled families, as well as working women, chaining themselves to parliamentary galleries, smashing windows, setting fire to mailboxes, to draw attention to their cause.

And I saw those same women after they emerged from London's Holloway prison, gaunt and emaciated, obviously suffering. They had endured hunger strikes and forcible feeding, rather than give up their fight for the right to vote.

NOT QUITE NICE!

TODAY HALF THE world is in flames, and millions are dying to preserve the privilege of choosing their own form of government, of ensuring their political freedom. Because, in the final analysis, this will decide if they are to have the other freedoms—freedom to worship as they will, freedom from want and freedom from fear.

Yet daily I meet men, as well as women, who look upon politics as something taboo, not quite nice!

And because of that attitude they don't bother to vote, either municipally, provincially or federally. They forget that governments reflect the intelligence and integrity of the people who put them there.

FORFEIT RIGHT

IT SEEMS TO ME that those, who through apathy or indifference, don't trouble to cast their ballot, automatically forfeit their right to criticize those whom their fellow-voters elect. Yet how often they are the most vocal and captious critics!

INTELLIGENT THINKING

THE WAR HAS catapulted our young people into the armed forces and into many responsible jobs on the home front. In both fields they are proving themselves worthy of our admiration and respect.

They are also showing themselves keen and intelligent students of public affairs. So perhaps there is something to be said for the idea that they should have a voice in those affairs.

Let us hope the suggestion may be startling enough to challenge some of their elders who have the vote to value it a little more, to do a little thinking through.

What this old world is sadly in need of today is intelligent thinking, translated into terms of the greatest good for the greatest number.

New York Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)—Selected stocks made idle passes at recovery in today's market, but declines of fractions to 2 points or more were spread over most departments.

Douglas Aircraft and Boeing touched new 1943 lows. Other laggards were J. L. Case, Eastman Kodak, Bethlehem, General Motors, American Telephone, Texas Co., Standard Oil (N.J.), Westinghouse, Du Pont and Allied Mills. Support was accorded Chrysler, American Can and Goodrich.

There was little interest in the Canadian section. Canadian Pacific and Lake Shore were slightly lower and Dome Mines held unchanged.

(By H. A. Humber Ltd.)
Dow Jones averages closed today as follows:

30 industrials 129.99, off 1.26

20 rails 31.71, off 0.17

15 utilities 26.71, up 0.01

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Grain

WINNIPEG (CP)—Rye recovered partial early losses today on the Winnipeg grain exchange on local buying and a stronger trend at Chicago. Final values were % lower to % higher with the December future at \$1.16%.

Wheat export business was small and only the purchase of a small amount of high grade wheat by the United Kingdom was confirmed.

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